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Applicants : LaColla *et al.*
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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 17, 2006

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed February 17, 2006 in the above referenced application, for which a response is due on March 17, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 40 of this paper.



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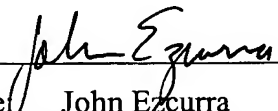
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